

## STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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# AGENDA STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Thursday, March 25, 2010 at 10:00am

Notice is hereby given that the Nevada State Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on March 25, 2010 at 10:00 am at the Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Sparks, Nevada 89431. A tour of the new facility will be held following the meeting.

The State Conservation Commission will consider and act on the following on March 25, 2010 at 10:00am: Unless given a specific time, items on the agenda can be taken out of order at the Commission's discretion under item II – "Review and approval of agenda".

- I. CALL TO ORDER
  - A. Introductions
- II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA \*ACTION\*
- III. REVIEW, AMENDMENT AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES \*ACTION\*
  - A. Approval of Minutes from November 2, 2009.
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- V. REPORTS TO THE COMMISSION
  - A. Status of the Division of Conservation Districts
    - 1. General Jim Lawrence
    - 2. Conservation Districts Report Logs Kelly McGowan & Sandi Gotta
    - 3. General/Correspondence Kelly McGowan & Sandi Gotta
- VI. AGENCY UPDATES
  - A. Nevada Department of Agriculture
  - B. UNR-College of Agriculture Biotechnology and Natural Resources
  - C. Natural Resources Conservation Service
  - D Others

#### VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Review and approval of all Conservation Districts' Final Financial Reports for FY 2009 as per NAC 548.090 and NAC 548.110 \*ACTION\* The Commission will review and take action on the Final Financial Reports for FY 2009 for all Conservation Districts as per NAC 548.110 and 548.120.
  - 1. Comments on District Final Financial Reports
- B. Review and approval of all Conservation Districts' Annual Reports for FY 2009 per NAC 548.110 \*ACTION\* The Commission will review and take action on the Annual Reports for FY 2009 for all Conservation Districts as per NAC 548.110.
  - 1. Comments on the annual reports of the districts.
  - 2. Acknowledgement of the receipt of the reports for district good standing consideration for FY2010.
- C. Consider support of resolutions approved and submitted by the Nevada Association of Conservation Districts on November 3 and 4, 2009. \*ACTION\* Pam Griswold, Nevada Association of Conservation Districts
- D. Review and adoption of the *Draft* Strategic Plan for the Nevada State Conservation Commission. \*ACTION\*: The Commission will review and adopt the 5-year Strategic Plan developed at the November 2, 2009 meeting.

#### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consideration of a request to enter into a contribution agreement with the Natural Resources Conservation Service. \*ACTION\* Staff / Petersen
- B. An overview of the draft proposal for the new requirement to apply for an NPDES permit for pesticide applications. \*ACTION\* Charles Moses, Nevada Department of Agriculture
- C. Presentation by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) regarding the current status of the greater sage-grouse and what it may mean to Nevada landowners and land managers. FWS, Reno Field Office
- D. Consideration to endorse the efforts of the Nevada Department of Agriculture and Bureau of Land Management's efforts to manage wild/feral horse and burro populations within the identified appropriate management level range. \*ACTION\* Staff / Vesco
- E. Discussion on the environmental process used when out-of-basin water transfers are proposed. \*ACTION\* Staff / Sicking
- F. Consideration of submitting a letter regarding the proposed closure of the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources to the Board of Regents and President Glick. \*ACTION\* Vesco / Sicking

### IX. COMMISSIONER ITEMS

- A. Comments, Reports, Items to be included on the next agenda.
- X. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- XI. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING \*ACTION\*
  - A. Agenda items for future consideration.
- XII. ADJOURNMENT \*ACTION\*

A tour of the Nevada Department of Agriculture building will be given.

Note: \*ACTION\* Denotes items on which the Commission may take action. Action may occur on the topic or during the general discussion.

#### AGENDAS ARE POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 S. Stewart St, Carson City, NV 89701. Nevada Division of Conservation Districts, 901 S. Stewart St, Suite 5004, Carson City, 89701. Legislative Counsel Bureau, 401 S. Carson St, Carson City, NV 89710. State Library and Archives, 100 Stewart St, Carson City, NV 89710. NRCS State Office, 1365 Corporate Blvd, Reno, NV 89502. Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st Street, Sparks, Nevada 89431.

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